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Making Spaces: Resolving Use and Usability Issues of the Modern Library

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Space and the Modern Library

- Offices for Outside Entities Within the Library
- ♦ Student Study Space / Space for Students to Be (3rd space)
- Space for Exploration of Technology
 - ♦ Maker Spaces
 - ♦ Visualization Labs
 - ♦ Multimedia Labs

Making Spaces at H.M. Briggs Library

- ♦ Completely rearranged 2 of the Library's 3 Floors
 - Shifted every volume of our 3 largest collections
 - ♦Monographs ~ 460,300 volumes
 - ♦Bound Periodicals ~ 174,700 volumes
 - ♦Government Documents ~ 87,700 documents (Lisa)
 - **♦Total** ~ 722,700 items
 - ♦ Removed about 31 Ranges
 - ♦5 on the Upper Level
 - ♦26 on the Lower Level
 - ♦ Moved and Rearranged 50 Microform Cabinets and 12 Map Cases

Known Issues

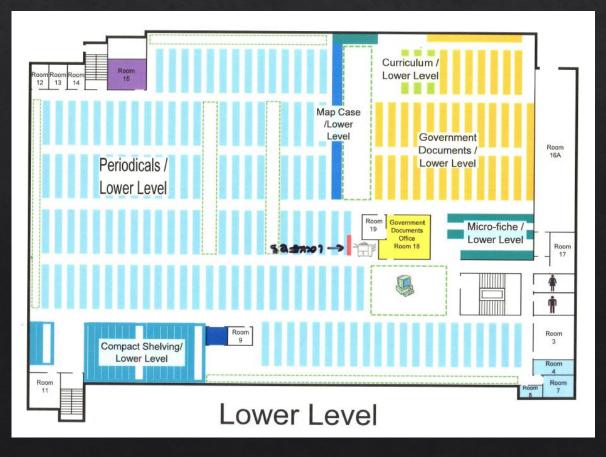
Use and Usability Problems of H.M. Briggs Library

Primary Known Issues

- Lack of Overall Collection Space Plan
- Need for Improved Study Spaces
- Need to Improve Ambiance and Make Library More Inviting

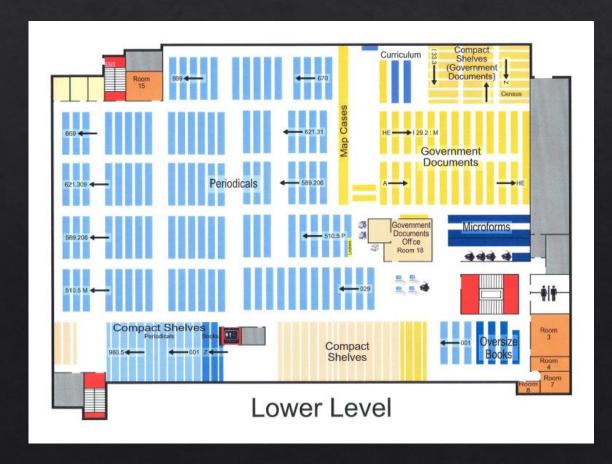
Haphazard Relocation of Collections Due to Collection Growth



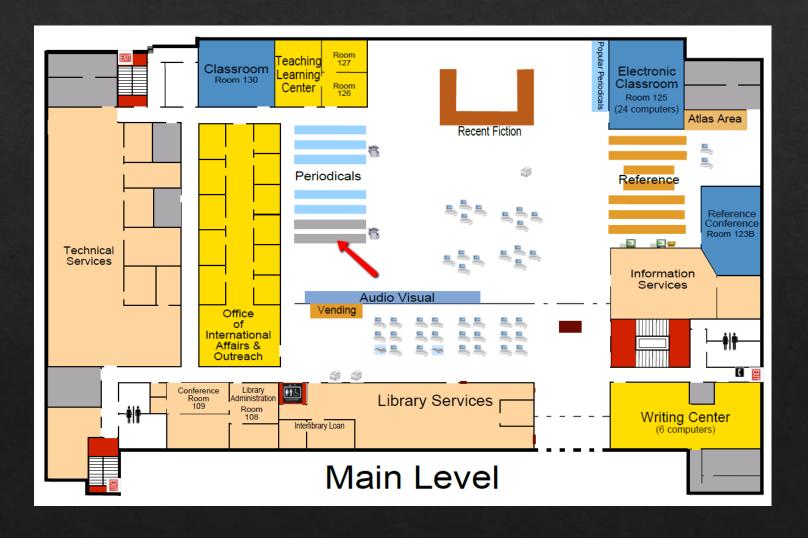


Layout of the Shelving and Arrangement of Call Numbers Required
 Walking the Entire Length of the Library to Find Materials

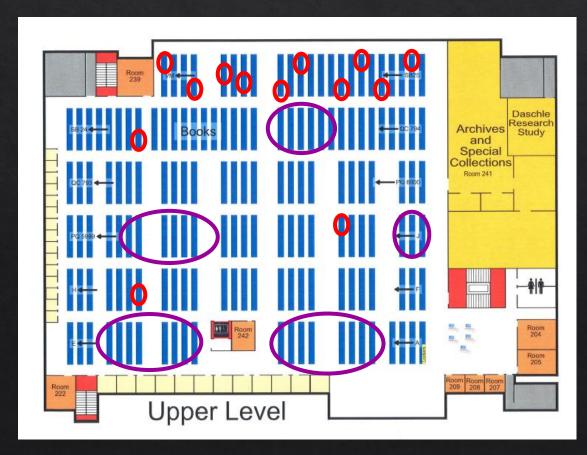


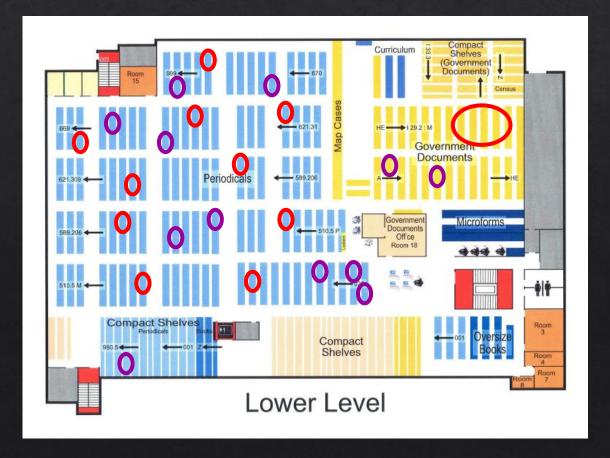


Materials and
Collections
Needed to
Support New
Programs Could
Not be Integrated



- Constant Little Shifts to Fit New Materials





Need for Improved Study Spaces

- ♦ Access to outlets
 - Many located on columns, which were located in stacks areas
- ♦ Increased natural light
 - ♦ Lower Level Partially Underground
 - ♦ Blocked by stacks



Need for Improved Ambiance

- Upper Level
 - ♦ 'Wall of Books' at the Top of the Stairs
 - Minimize the Overwhelming, Claustrophobic
 Feeling
 - ♦ See the Windows and Couches
 - ♦ Increase Work Areas
 - ♦ Locate Computer Work Stations in Strategic Areas
- ♦ Lower Level
 - ♦ Lining-up Stacks to Help with Sightlines
 - ♦ Natural Light
 - Improve Visibility of Study Rooms
 - Open up a Significant Number of New Study Spaces



Catalysts for Change

Overcoming Inertia

Initial Planning

- Shelving Taskforce

 - Prepared Initial Measurements of Collections
 - **Established Goals for Overall Shelving Plan**

Shelving Taskforce Goals

- All circulating books located on the same floor.
- ♦ Call number order is easy to follow.
- ♦ We plan for 20 years of growth or decline.
- ♦ We "right size" the collections on the main floor.
- ♦ All archival materials and special collections are appropriately secured.
- ♦ We limit the number of call number schemas.
- We preserve study spaces by electrical outlets.
- ♦ We preserve or improve the aesthetics of the building.
- ♦ All items are removed from Lincoln.
- ♦ We take into consideration shared storage opportunities.

Catalyst 1: Daschle Dialogues

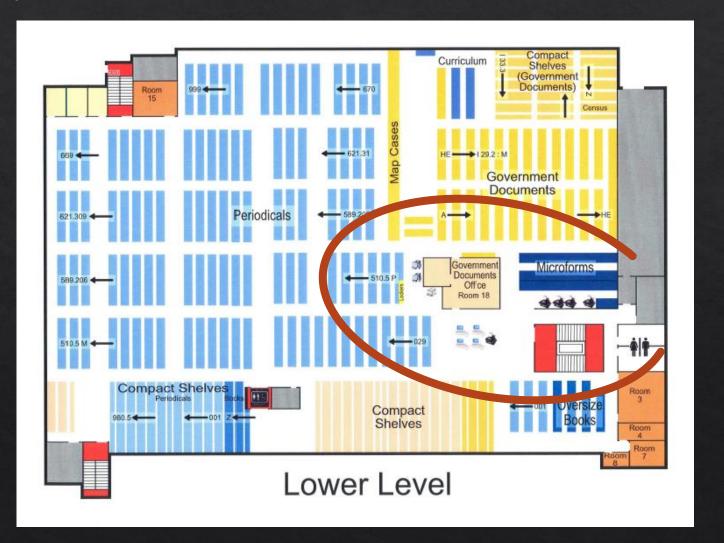
- Head of SDSU Foundation Proposed a High-Profile Annual
 Event
 - ♦ Needed Appropriate Space
- ♦ Short Timeline
- Provided Funding

Catalyst 2: Accreditation Requirements

- Accreditation for new Architecture Program
 - ♦ Need Expanded Collections
 - ♦ Acquired Cava Collection ~ 2,500 volumes (42 full shelves)
- ♦ Preliminary Site Visit Separation of Architecture Books was a Major Library Issue
 - Most Books on Upper Level
 - ♦ Cava Collection on Main Level
 - Oversize Books on Lower

Catalyst 3: The Flood

- ♦ June 2014, two consecutive days on the weekend
- ♦ 325+ shelves moved to empty shelving in Government Documents to allow for carpet to dry
- Furniture moved haphazardly out of the flood zone into the stacks
- Government Documents service point inaccessible



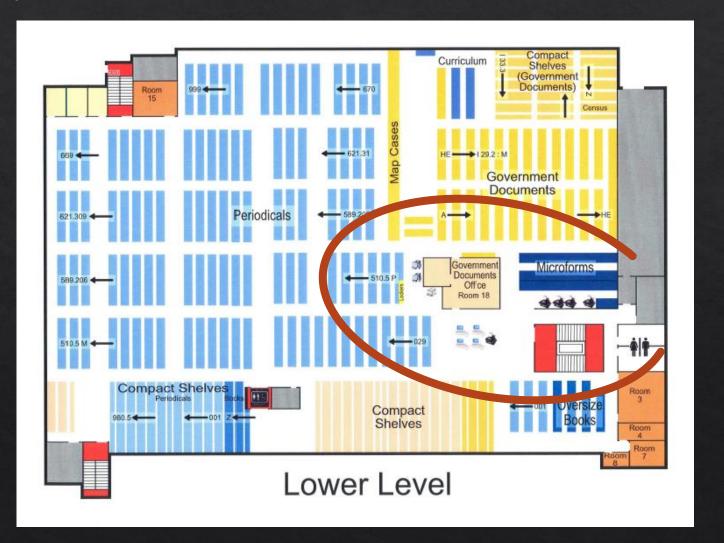






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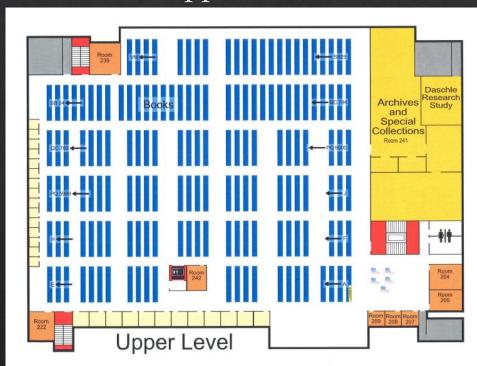


Planning and Implementing Change

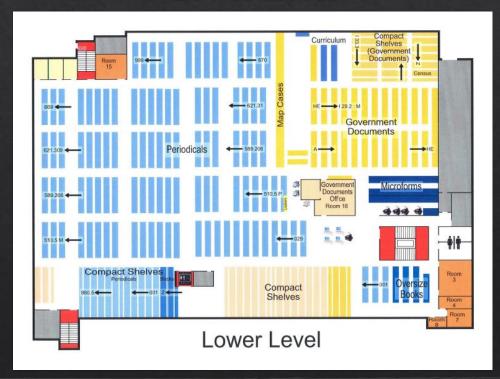
Resolving Use and Usability Issues of H.M. Briggs Library

Two Stages of Planning and Implementation

Upper Level



Lower Level



Upper Level

Objectives: Upper Level

- Create an Open Area at the Top of the Stairs
- Integrate the Cava Collection of Architecture Books
- Move Oversize and Z's Back to Upper Level
- Reclassify Annuals and Advances Series as Bound Periodicals and Move to Lower Level
- Ensure that Range Endcaps Matched the Color Pattern

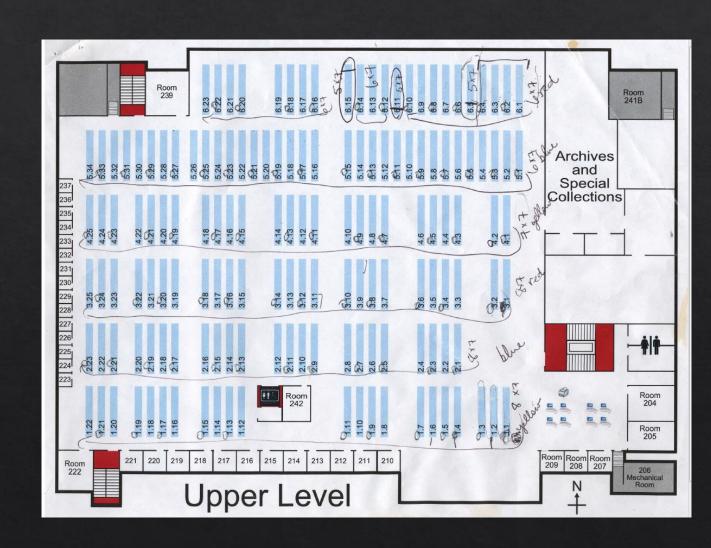


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Stages: Upper Level

- Information Gathering
- Analysis and Planning
- ♦ Shifting
- Finishing Touches



Measure Shelving and Collections

- ♦ Monographs
- ♦ Oversize
- ♦ Cava Collection
- ♦ Lincoln Storage
- Sets in ReferenceCollection with 10+Volumes

Current Shelving			
	Shelving (LinearFeet)	Reshelving	Shelving Available for Collections
Row 1	7579.25	68.04	7511.21
Row 2	8614.67	76.92	8537.75
Row 3	8614.67	76.92	8537.75
Row 4	7537.83	76.92	7460.92
Row 5	8449.00	100.58	8348.42
Row 6	5591.25	68.04	5523.21
Total	46386.67	467.42	45919.25
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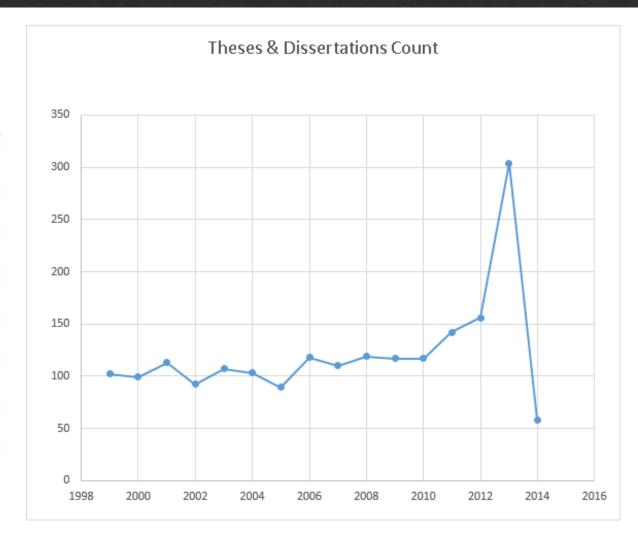
	Collections	
		Approximate
g e for ons		Linear Feet
511.21 537.75	Books/Upper	34701.00
37.75	Level (A-V)	
160.92 348.42	Oversize	425.00
523.21	Z's	488.00
19.25	Cava	143.00
	(Architecture)	
	Lincoln	78.00
An.	nuals/Advances	-208.23
	Total	35626.77

- Estimating Changes in Collections
 - ♦ Growth
 - ♦ Weeding
 - ♦ Increase of Ebooks

- ♦ Interviewing Subject Librarians:
 - ♦ LC Class Assignments
 - Expected Growth
 - Expected Change to Ebooks
 - Expected Weeding Rate
 - ♦ Large Reference Sets (10+ Vols)

A Special
Case: Theses
and
Dissertations

Year	Theses & Dissertations Count	Estimated Linear Inches Added	5 and 15 Year Averages
2014	58	87	
2013	304	456	
2012	156	234	
2011	142	213	
2010	117	175.5	
2009	117	175.5	250.8"
2008	119	178.5	
2007	110	165	
2006	118	177	
2005	89	133.5	
2004	103	154.5	
2003	107	160.5	
2002	92	138	
2001	113	169.5	
2000	99	148.5	
1999	102	153	188.8"



Exploring
Options for
Shelving

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	Shelving (Linear Feet)	Shelvingto Be	Reshelving	Shelving Available for
		Removed		Collections
Row 1	7579.25	289.92	32.54	7256.79
Row 2	8614.67	994.00	35.50	7585.17
Row 3 (Opt. 1)	8614.67	331.33	35.50	8247.83
(Opt. 2)		497.00		
Row 4	7537.83	289.92	38.46	7209.46
Row 5	8449.00	0.00	50.29	8398.71
Row 6	5591.25	0.00	32.54	5558.71
Total (Opt. 1)	46386.67	1905.17	224.83	44256.67
(Opt. 2)	46386.67	2070.83	224.83	44091.00

roposed Shelving					200		
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Row 4	7537.83	289.92	38.46	7209.46	00.5	0/ T'11 D /	Approximate
Row 5	8449.00	0.00	50.29	8398.71	~ 80.5	% Fill Rate	Linear Feet
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		Comment Charles				Oversize	425.00
		Current Shelvi	ng Shelving	Reshelving	Shelving	Z's	488.00
			(Linear Feet	_	Available for Collections	Cava	143.00
		Row	7579.2	5 68.04	7511.21	(Architecture)	
		Row	/ 2 8614.6	7 76.92	8537.75	Lincoln	78.00
		Row			8537.75	Annuals/Advances	-218.23
		Row			7460.92	Armaars/Aarances	7
		Row			8348.42 5523.21		25424 22
		Row To s			45919.25	Total	35626.77

Analysis and Planning: Upper Level

- Making Sense of the Information Gathered
 - **Estimating Shelf Fill Rate**
 - ♦ Feasibility of Integrating Oversize into Main Collection

Estimating the Shelf Fill Rate: Upper Level

Factors Affecting Growth Estimates

- Current Size of Collection (Volumes and Linear Inches)
- Recorded Growth since Summer 2012 (Linear Inches)
- Growth per Year since Summer 2012 (Linear Inches)
- Subject Librarians Perception and Expectation for Growth
- Subject Librarian Estimate of Increased Ebook Acquisition

Estimated .6% Growth/Year

Factors Affecting Weeding Estimates

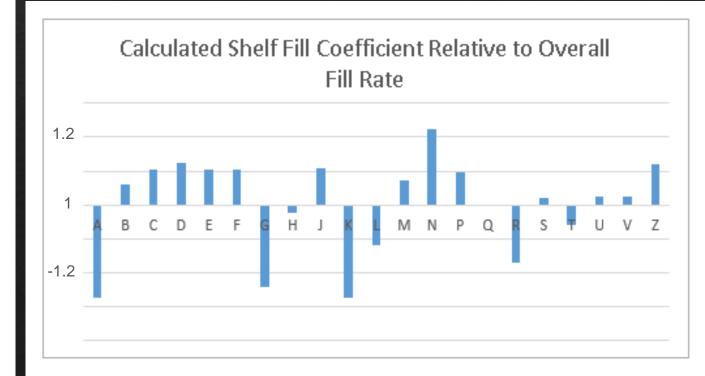
- Percent of Collection Currently Checked
 Out
- Percent of Collection Published Before 1970 that had Never Circulated
- Subject Librarian Perception and Expectation for Weeding

Estimated 7.48% Weeding over the Next Several Years

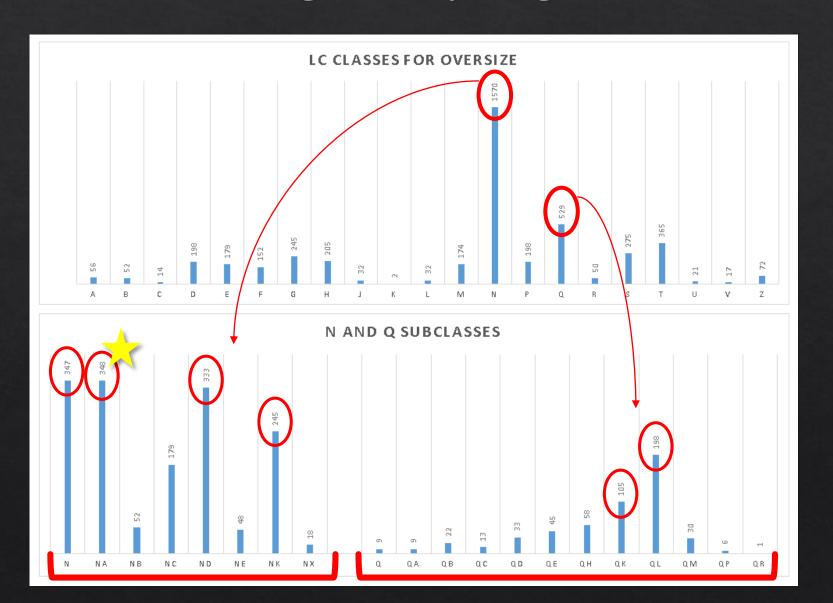
**Calculations were Made for Each LC Class, in addition to the Collection as a Whole

Classes	Description	Shelf Fill Coefficient
Class A	GENERAL WORKS	0.72
Class B	PHILOSOPHY, PSYCHOLOGY, RELIGION	1.06
Class C	AUXILIARY SCIENCES OF HISTORY	1.10
Class D	WORLD HISTORY AND HISTORY OF EUROPE, ASIA, AFRICA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, ETC.	1.12
Class E	HISTORY OF THE AMERICAS	1.10
Class F	HISTORY OF THE AMERICAS	1.10
Class G	GEOGRAPHY, ANTHROPOLOGY, RECREATION	0.76
Class H	SOCIAL SCIENCES	0.98
Class J	POLITICAL SCIENCE	1.11
Class K	LAW	0.72
Class L	EDUCATION	0.88
Class M	MUSICAND BOOKS ON MUSIC	1.07
Class N	FINE ARTS	1.22
Class P	LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE	1.10
Class Q	SCIENCE	1.00
Class R	MEDICINE	0.83
Class S	AGRICULTURE	1.02
Class T	TECHNOLOGY	0.94
Class U	MILITARY SCIENCE	1.02
Class V	NAVALSCIENCE	1.02
Class Z	BIBLIOGRAPHY, LIBRARY SCIENCE, INFORMATION RESOURCES (GENERAL)	1.12

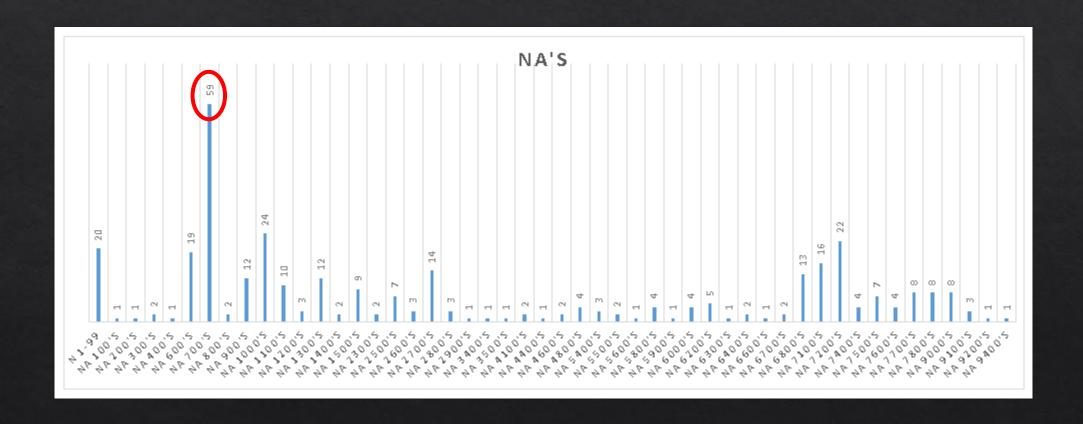
Calculated Relative Fill Rate for LC Classes After Accounting for Growth and Weeding



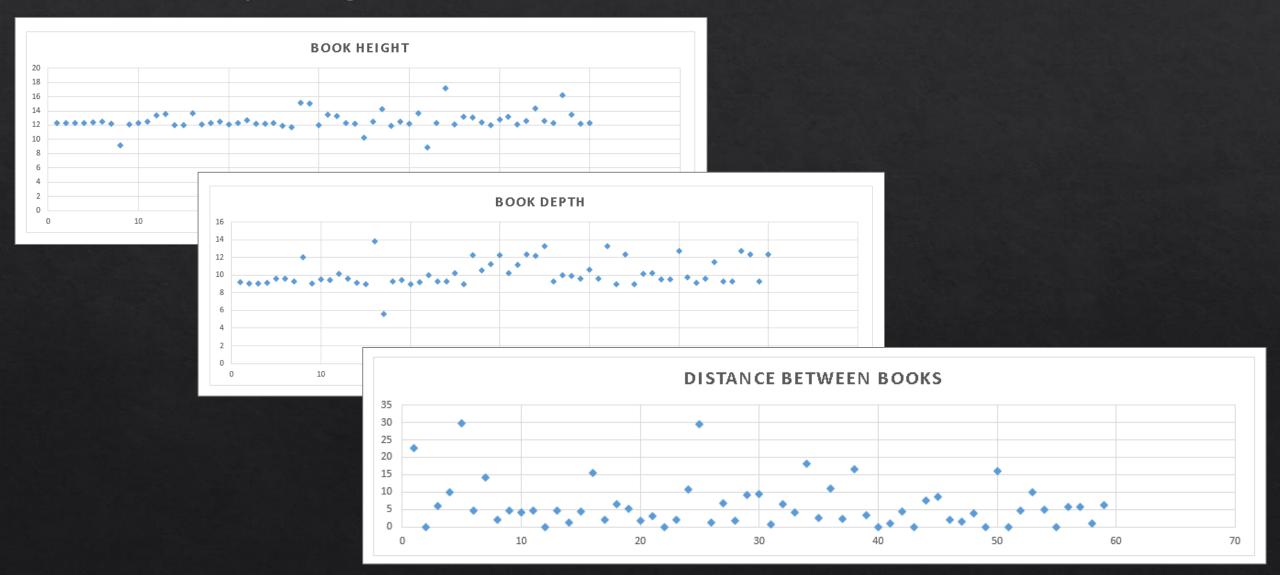
Analysis and Planning: Analyzing the Oversize Collection



Analyzing the Oversize Collection: NA's



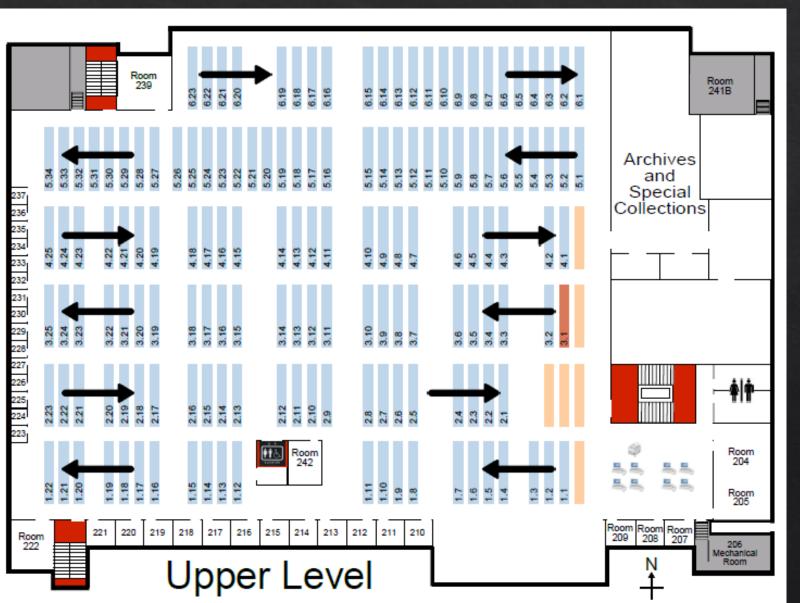
Analyzing the Oversize Collection: NA 700's



Analyzing the Oversize Collection: NA 700's

	Linear Inches	Percent of Collection (By Linear Inches)	Number of Volumes
Total Oversize NA 700's	57.94	13.71%	60
Upper Level NA 700's	364.66	86.29%	
Total	422.60		
Oversize NA 700's with Height ≤ 14" and Depth ≤ 10.25"	39.81	9.42%	41
Shelves Needed to Integrate			
70% Fill	16.28		
75% Fill	15.19		
80% Fill	14.24		
Sections Needed to Integrate			
70% Fill	2.71		
75% Fill	2.53		
80% Fill	2.37		

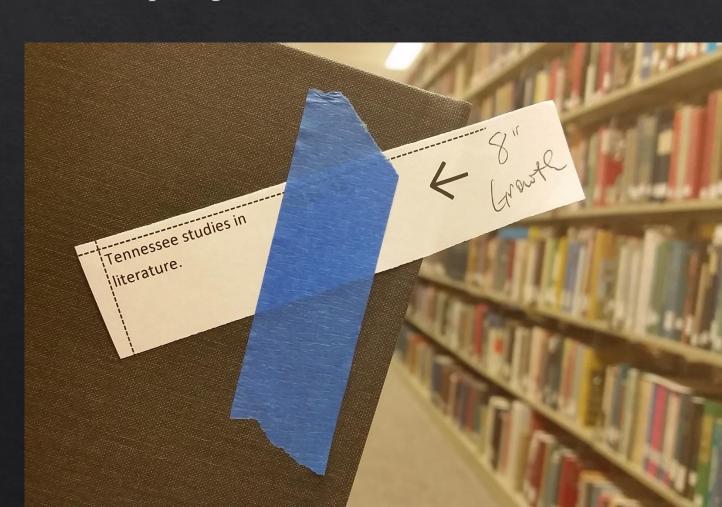
The Plan Shown Two Ways



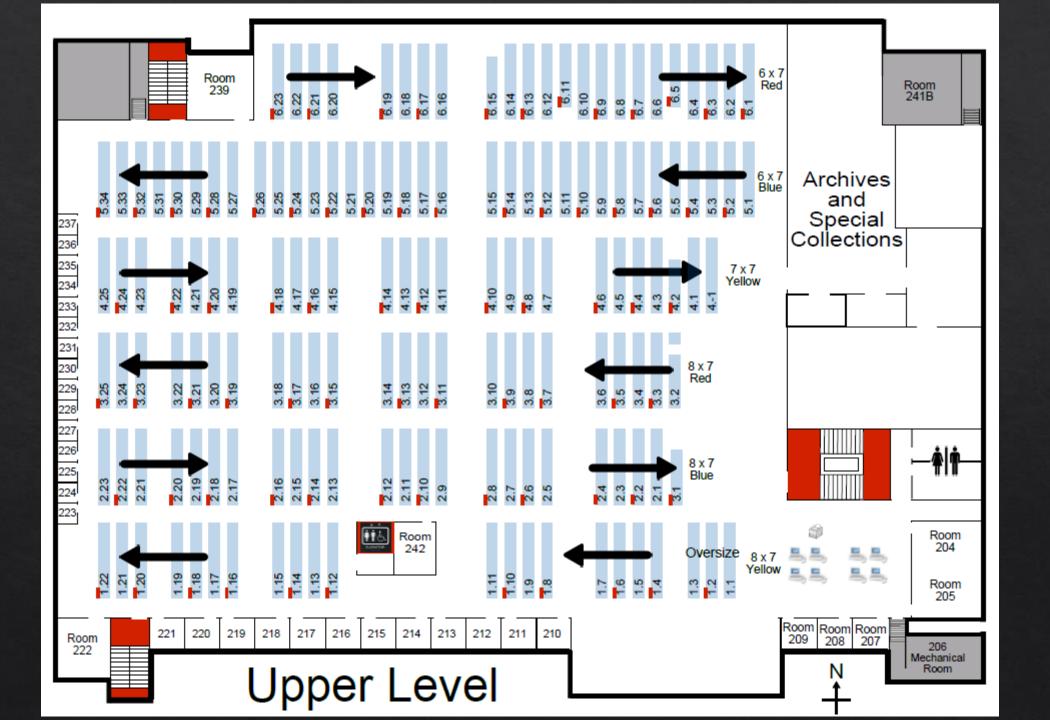


Shifting: Upper Level

- Tag Growing Series with Projected Growth Space
 - ♦ Growth Space was Factored into Shelf Fill and Spacing
- ♦ Hallett Movers' Preparations
 - ♦ Measure Collection
 - ♦ Calculate Shelving
 - ♦ Calculate Overall Fill Rate
 - ♦ Tag Shelves and Books for Moving
- Preparations for Workers
 - ♦ Ice and Water
 - ♦ Dust Masks
 - ♦ Vinyl Gloves
 - ♦ Markers







Finishing Touches: Upper Level

- Removing Extra
 Shelving
- ♦ New Furniture
- Shelf End Markers
- Ceiling Signs





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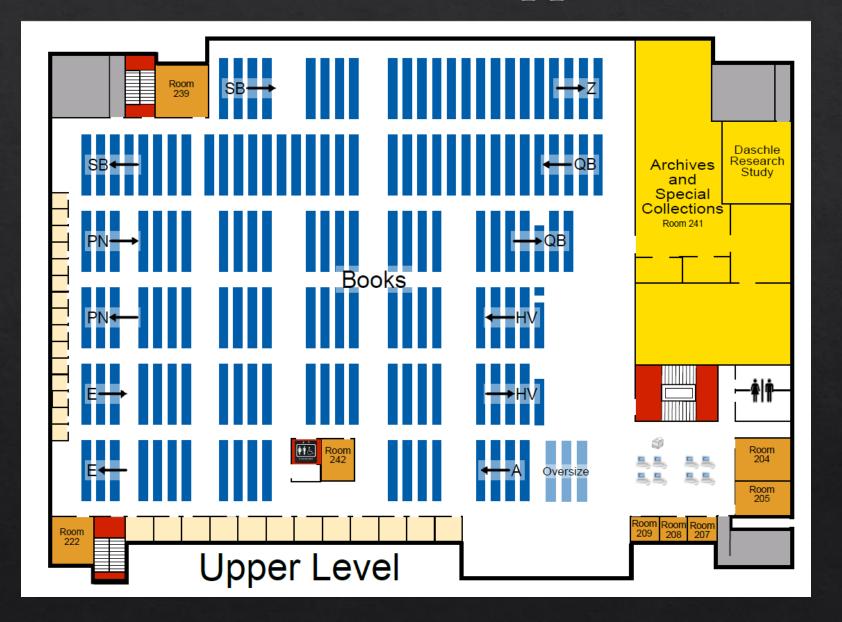
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Before and After: Upper Level



Lower Level

Objectives: Lower Level

- Create Student Study Spaces
- Reduce Possibilities for Future Flood Damage
- Integrate Disparate Journal Collections
- Reduce the Footprint of Government Documents
- Increase Access to Power Outlets



Stages: Lower Level

- Information Gathering
- Analysis and Planning

 - Government Documents
- **Shifting**
- Finishing Touches

Information Gathering: Lower Level

- Measure Collections
 - ♦ Bound Periodicals and Yearly Growth
 - ♦ Government Documents
 - ♦ Annuals and Advances Series from Upper Level
 - ♦ Lincoln Periodicals
- Measure Shelving
 - ♦ Compact Shelving
 - ♦ Free Standing Shelving



Periodicals Collection

Total Size

Totals	
001-099	689.3
001-332.05	2675.917
338.476905	869.1667
370.5 Sch	555
400	2997.5
405 M71	826.6667
500-599	3213.125
600-699	8531.458
700-799	1297.458
800-899	591.625
900-999	102.1667
Compact	3889.375
Gov. Doc.	873.0833
	27111.9

Total Shelving

		No.	Shelves	Total	Shelf	
Location	No. Ranges	Sections	High	Shelves	Width	Total Ft
Compact	12.5	7	7	1225	41	4185.4
	0.5	4	7	28	41	95.7
	0.5	1	7	7	35.5	20.7
Total	13.5			1260		4301.8
Adjusted count				791		
Open Row 1	4	6	6	288	35.5	852.0
	19	7	6	1596	35.5	4721.5
Total	23			1884		5573.5
Adjusted Count				1850		
Open Row 2	18	8	6	1728	35.5	5112.0
	4	7	6	336	35.5	994.0
	1	6	6	72	35.5	213.0
Total	23			2136		6319.0
Adjusted Count				2050		
Open Row 3	18	7_	6	1512	35.5	4473.0
	3	6	6	216	35.5	639.0
Total	21			1728		5112.0
Adjusted Count				1690		
Open Row 4	21	6	6	1512	35.5	4473.0
Total				1512		4473.0
Adjusted Count				1447		
Open Row 5	12	6	6	864	35.5	2556.0
	2	5	6	120	35.5	355.0
Total	14			984		2911.0
Adjusted Count				936		
0 "7						
Overall Total				9504		28690.3
Adjusted Total				8793		
Annual Reviews			29	8822		
compact staging			35	8857		

Government Documents Shelving & Collection

Document	s Col	lection Free Sta	anding S	helving and Ea	st Wall								
Range 1		(DISMANTLE)								***********			
6x6x2=7	2 Sh	elves				Inches		Feet					
216 linea	r fe	et				2217.5		184.8					
SHELF		CALL#RANGE	SHELF	CALL#RANGE	SHELF	CALL#RANGE	SHELF	CALL#RANGE	SHELF	CALL#RANGE	SHELF	CALL#RANGE	
A1.1:862	1.1	35.5	1.7	32	1.13	35.5	1.19	35.5	1.25	35.5	1.31	35.5	
	1.2	35.5	1.8	35.5	1.14	35.5	1.20	34	1.26	35.5	1.32	35.5	
	1.3	35.5	1.9	35.5	1.15	35.5	1.21	35.5	1.27	35.5	1.33	35.5	
	1.4	22	1.10	35.5	1.16	35.5	1.22	35.5	1.28	18	1.34	35.5	
	1.5	24	1.11	34	1.17	35.5	1.23	35.5	1.29	28	1.35	Empty	
	1.6	35.5	1.12	35	1.18	Empty	1.24	35.5	1.30	35.5	1.36	Empty	
		188	.,	207.5		177.5		211.5		188		142	1114.5
SHELF		CALL#RANGE	SHELF	CALL # RANGE	SHELF	CALL #RANGE	SHELF	CALL #RANGE	SHELF	CALL # RANGE	SHELF	CALL#RANGE	
A1.35: 1	.37	29.5	1.43	35.5	1.49	35.5	1.55	35.5	1.61	35.5	1.67	20.5	
	1.38	35.5	1.44	34.5	1.50	34	1.56	35.5	1.62	35.5	1.68	35.5	
	1.39	35.5	1.45	20	1.51	35.5	1.57	22.5	1.63	35.5	1.69	27	
	1.40	35.5	1.46	35.5	1.52	28	1.58	35.5	1.64	35.5	1.70	35.5	
	1.41	35.5	1.47	35.5	1.53	35.5	1.59	35.5	1.65	15	1.71	35.5	
	1.42	Empty	1.48	35.5	1.54	8	1.60	35.5	1.66	35.5	1.72	12	
		171.5		196.5		176.5		200		192.5		166	1103

Analysis and Planning

- ♦ Weeding
- Changes in Layouts and Spaces

 - Study Spaces

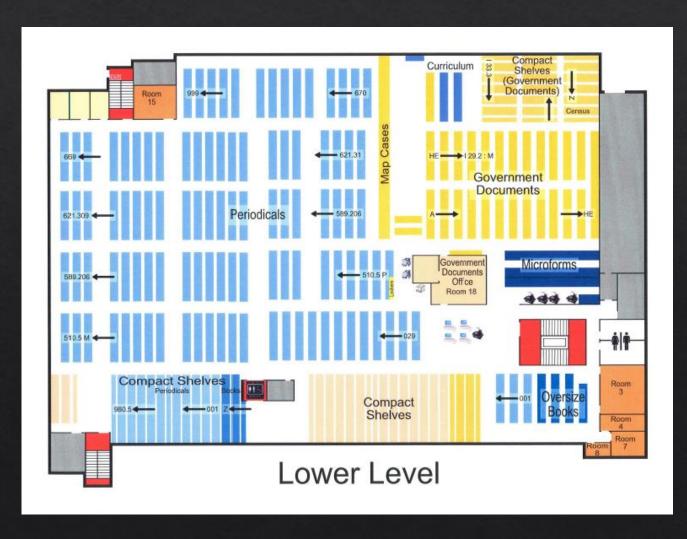
		Growth
Call Number	Title	Per Year
977.7 An2	Annals of Iowa	1.25
977.8 M691.1	Missouri Historical Review	0.75
978.005 G798	Great Plains Quarterly	1.00
978.05 J827	Journal of the West	1.25
978.1005 H423	Heritage of the Great Plains	0.25
978.1061 K14	Kansas History	0.80
978.1061 R22	Reflections	
978.2 N279	Nebraska History	0.75
978.3005 So87	South Dakota Archaeology	0.30
978.3005 So875	Newsletter of the South Dakota Archaeological So	0.10
978.305 D14922	South Dakota Hall of Fame	0.15
978.305 H762	Hoofprints	0.10
978.305 M584	Middle Border Bulletin	0.10
978.305 So86	South Dakota History	1.00
978.305 So89	South Dakota State Historical Society History Note	0.10
978.405 N811	North Dakota History	1.00
979.205 W525	Western Humanities Review	1.50
	Total Inches	680.20
	Total feet	56.7

Weeding: Abstracts & Indexes

- Identified Abstracts and Indexes in Compact Shelving
- Subject Librarians Considered Candidates for Weeding
 - Contacted Library Representatives
 - ♦ Reported Results, Created Final List
- ♦ Weeded 800+ Feet

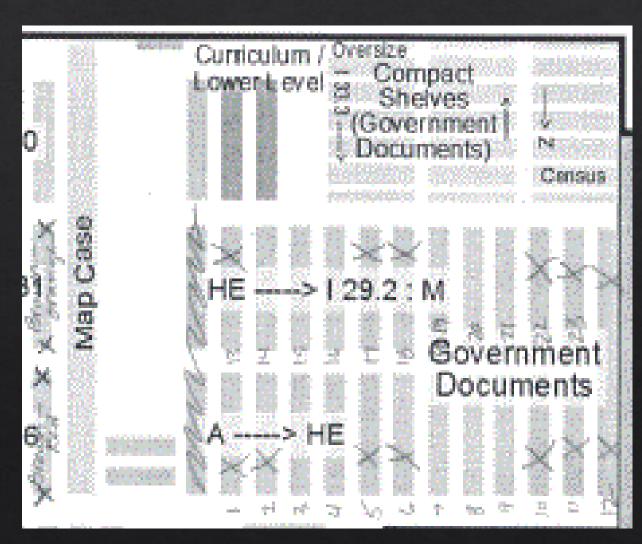
Changes in Layout and Spaces

- Orange How many and which ranges to remove
 - ♦ Main Collection
 - ♦ Government Documents
- ♦ Flow of the Collection
 - ♦ Main Collection
 - ♦ Government Documents



Changes in Layouts and Spaces

- Considered Goals
 - Student Study Space
 - Access to Power Outlets
 - ♦ Improve Aesthetics
- ♦ Asked for Feedback
 - Library Staff and Student Assistants
 - What kinds of spaces do students want?



Shifting

Main Periodicals

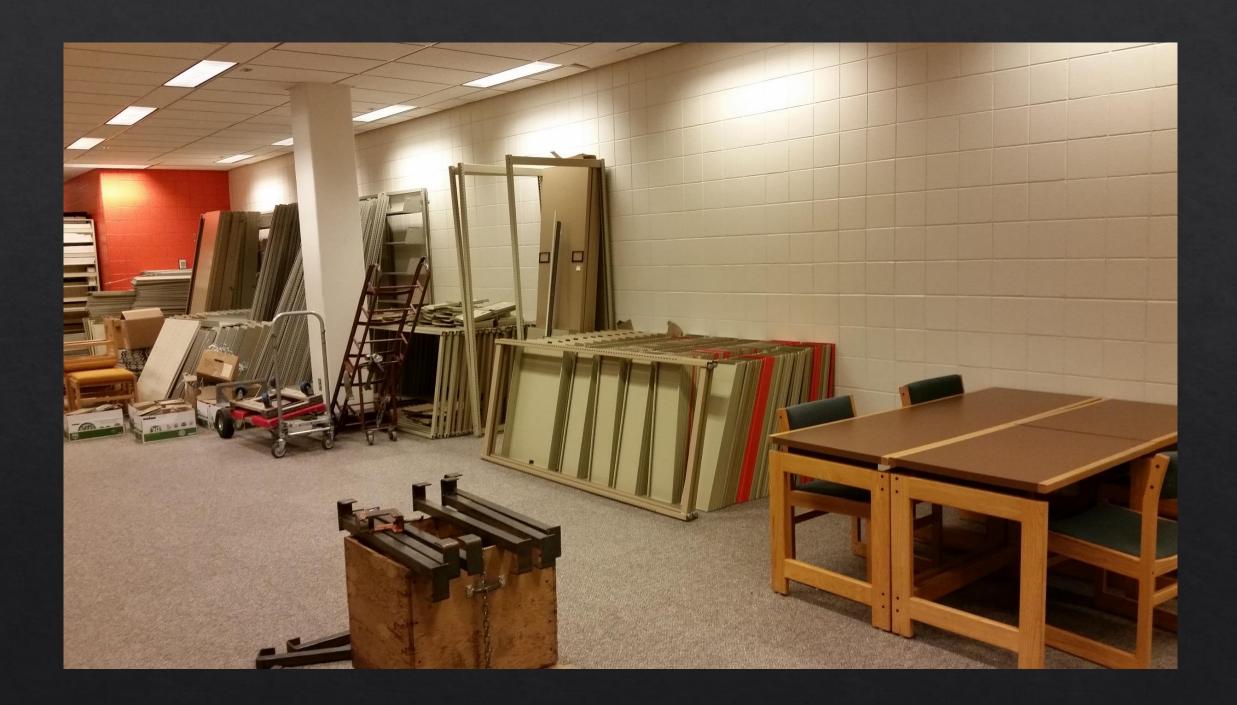
- Marking the Collection
 - Growth for Current Subscriptions
 - ♦ Space for Lincoln Materials
 - ♦ Space for *Annuals* and *Advances* Series
 - Space for Bottom Shelf Materials in Documents
- ♦ Pilot Shift of 4 Ranges in Compact
- Tagged Entire Collection Before the Movers Arrived

Government Documents

- Marked and Tagged the Collection
- ♦ Staff Moved the Materials

Finishing Touches

- Removing Shelving
- Replacing Furniture



Finishing Touches

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Lower Level	inventory - Summer 2014	
no.	item description	current location
1	microfilm cabinet - black	618.9205
2	file cabinet - brown	618.9205
3	file cabinet - brown	618.9205
4	file cabinet - brown	618.9205
5	computer work station part	618.9205
6	tall carrel	551.505
7	tall carrel	551.505
8	microfilm cabinet - green-gray	547.05
9	microfilm cabinet - gray	547.05
10	microfilm -cabinet - gray	547.05
11	microfilm-cabinet - gray	547.05
12	microfilm-cabinet - gray	547.05
13	microfilm-cabinet - gray	547.05
14	microfilm-cabinet - gray	547.05
15	microfilm-cabinet - gray	547.05
16	microfilm cabinet - black	547.05
17	ERIC microfiche cabinet - tan	547.05
18	ERIC microfiche cabinet - tan	547.05
19	ERIC microfiche cabinet - tan	547.05
20	ERIC microfiche cabinet - tan	547.05





















Before and After



Words of Wisdom and Encouragement

Learning from Experience

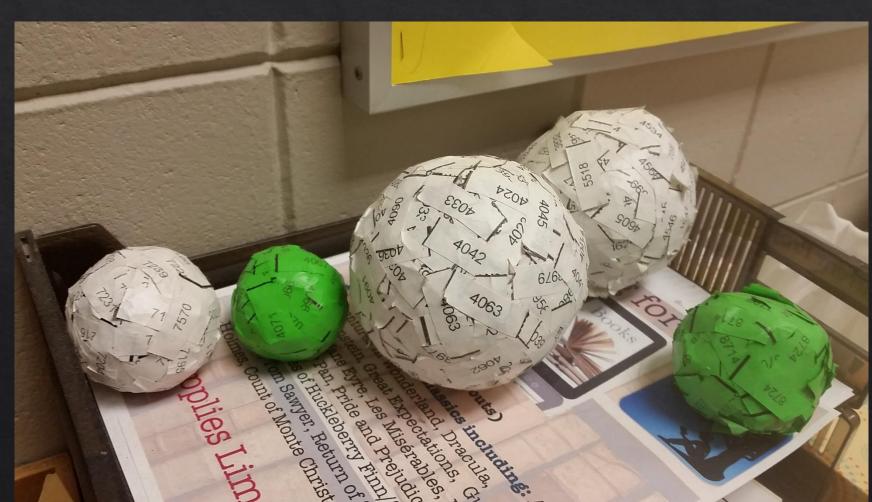
Humor Helps

♦Interesting Title

Competition

♦Sticker Balls

♦Unexpected Treasures



Take Advantage of Opportunities

- ♦ Be ready
- ♦ Be flexible
- Opportunities may come from unexpected sources





Work with Stakeholders

- ♦ Provost
- ♦ Foundation
- ♦ Donors
- ♦ Library staff



Careful Planning

- ♦ Measuring, Re-measuring
- ♦ Calculating, Re-calculating
- Feedback from Multiple Stakeholders
- Looking Forward and Preparing for the Future
 - **Established Goals for the Library**
- Acknowledging Realities of Existing Resources

Questions?